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MEMORANDUM FOR: Board of Trustees
Public Service Aid Society (PSAS)

FROM: [REDACTED]
Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

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SUBJECT: Request for PSAS Loan for FBIS Foreign National Employee
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REFERENCE: FBIS/Vienna 10464, Subject: "Financial Assistance," dtd
13 August 1987

1. It has come to my attention that as a result of a Public Service Aid Society (PSAS) by-law change in December 1986 defining the term "Agency employee," Foreign National employees of the Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) have been excluded from eligibility for PSAS loans. FBIS currently has a case which appears to meet all other PSAS criteria and it is requested that the Board of Trustees amend the recent by-law change and reinstitute loan eligibility for FBIS Foreign National employees to consider that case.

2. FBIS Foreign Nationals by definition are employees who are appointed under the authority of the DCI to serve as employees of the U.S. Government in FBIS overseas installations. They have full employee benefits such as health and life insurance, and annual and sick leave. Those who are third-country nationals who are neither citizens of the United States nor of the country to which they are assigned, are also eligible for participation in the Civil Service Retirement System based upon a 1986 Office of General Counsel ruling. With few exceptions, all personnel management guidance for Foreign Nationals comes from the same Headquarters Regulations that guide staff and contract employees.

3. The financial need case of [REDACTED], a monitor at the Vienna Bureau, is documented in the attached reference. [REDACTED]

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in Austria. The Austrian banks will not give him a loan as he is not an Austrian citizen working for an Austrian firm. As a Foreign National paid in local currency, he is not eligible for a Credit Union loan. Our Bureau Chief in Vienna has approached the utilities company about establishing a repayment schedule, guaranteed by the Bureau, but the company insists upon receiving its money in a lump sum no later than mid-September.

5. As [Redacted] has exhausted all other reasonable means of self-help, a PSAS loan is his only alternative at this time. It is therefore requested that the Board of Trustees accept his case for consideration.

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Bylaws of PSAS

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